

# County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Headquarters 4700 Ramona Boulevard Monterey Park, California 91754–2169



December 1, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS FOR THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE FISCAL YEAR 2009 JUSTICE AND MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATION PROGRAM (FIRST DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)

#### SUBJECT

Authorize the Sheriff of Los Angeles County (County) to accept a grant award in the amount of \$200,000 with a \$50,000 in-kind match, for a total program cost of \$250,000, from the Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (Department) Bureau of Offender Programs and Services (BOPS).

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve and authorize the Sheriff, or his designee, to accept a grant award in the sum of \$200,000 with an in-kind match of \$50,000 for the two-year program from BJA to fund operating expenses for BOPS to implement their program and operations. The grant period is from October 1, 2009, to September 30, 2011.
- 2. Delegate authority to the Sheriff, or his designee, to sign and execute the grant award agreement and all other necessary grant documents, including execution of amendments, modifications, augmentations, extensions, grant renewals, and other applicable grant documents.

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#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The primary responsibility of this program is to better meet the needs of nonviolent offenders suffering from mental illness and/or co-occurring substance abuse disorders.

The Department, in collaboration with the Department of Mental Health, will closely coordinate the proposed program by expanding existing jail therapeutic services.

### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This program is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 4, Health and Mental Health, by improving the mental health and substance abuse disorders inside jail facilities that can house approximately 19,000 inmates in 8 custody facilities; and Goal 5, Public Safety, by providing services to those incarcerated to address the high recidivism rate of the mentally ill offenders and expand mental health services in the jail to those in need, prior to being released.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The term of the program is for a period of 24 months from October 1, 2009, to September 30, 2011.

Funding for the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program will be in the amount of \$200,000 which will be fully offset by grant funds. The Department will contribute a \$50,000 in-kind match for a total program cost of \$250,000.

Funding for this program has been included in the Department's FY 2009-10 Budget.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On March 12, 2009, a proposal requesting grant funding to implement BOPS was submitted to BJA by the Department. On September 9, 2009, BJA sent notification to the Department that BOPS was selected to receive grant funding totaling \$200,000.

The Department's BOPS Unit intends to work toward meeting the needs of nonviolent offenders who suffer from serious mental illness and/or substance abuse disorders to successfully transition back into the community.

This Board Letter has been reviewed as to form by County Counsel.

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### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This grant will have a positive impact on the current mental health services for the Department's jail in-reach program. By addressing and expanding the services, the offenders will receive comprehensive substance abuse and mental health services, and prior to release, will be linked with the appropriate resources to continue their treatment plan.

#### CONCLUSION

Upon your Board approval, please return two individually certified copies of the adopted Board letter to the Department's Grants Unit.

Sincerely,

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SHERIFF

# **Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office Grant Management Statement for Grants Exceeding \$100,000**

Department: Sheri	iff's Department		

# Grant Project Title and Description: Enhanced Jail "In-Reach Service

The program is designed to meet the needs of non-violent offenders suffering from mental illness and /or co-occurring substance abuse disorders and thus reducing recidivism among this population.

Funding Agency Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance	Program (Fed. Grant # /State Bill or Code #)	Grant Acceptance Deadline
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Grant Period: 24-Months Begin Date: October 1, 2009 E	ounty In-kind M and Date: Septem all Time: 0 P	ber 30,	2011	)	
Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires					
Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant-funded program?			No	X	
Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items?			No	X	
Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires?			No	X	
If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:					
a). Absorb the program cost without reducing other services		Yes	No	X	
b). Identify other revenue sources		Yes	No	X	
(Describe)					
c). Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant. Yes No			X		
Impact of additional personnel on existing space: None					
Other requirements not mentioned above: None					

Department Head Signature	Verey A. Baca	Date <i>//-/F-09</i>